



U.S. Army Redstone Test Center

Colonel John W. Jones

Commander, U.S. Army Redstone Test Center

Colonel John W. Jones was commissioned as an Army Aviator after graduating from the United States Military Academy in 1990 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science. His military education includes Aviation Officer Basic Flight School, Aviation Officer Advanced Course, Army Command and Staff College (Leavenworth), United States Naval Test Pilot School, and Senior Service College (Air War College). He holds a Master of Science in Strategic Studies from Air University and a Master of Arts, Procurement and Acquisition Management from Webster University. He holds Department of Defense Acquisition Corps Level III certifications in Program Management and Test & Evaluation along with Level II certifications in Contracting and two domains of Systems Planning, Research, Development & Engineering.



Before completing the Air War College in May 2016, Colonel Jones served 23 months as Commander of Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) Dallas where he oversaw defense contractors in a four state geographic area with a \$50 billion portfolio of products from 2013-2015. He also served in combat from 2012-2013 for 12 months as Commander of DCMA Afghanistan where he was responsible for \$18 billion dollars in DoD contracts and 60 thousand contractors supporting theater wide sustainment and logistics.

He has served in several key acquisition leadership and test management positions to include Commander of DCMA Aircraft Integrated Maintenance Operations (AIMO) in Greenville, Texas overseeing aviation manufacturing, modification, repair and overhaul (MRO) in three states and seven different facilities from 2011-2012. Colonel Jones served as Commander of DCMA AIMO Enterprise, Alabama overseeing 10 aviation MRO facilities in 4 states with 21 fixed and rotary-wing platforms from 2008-2011. He was also Acting Commander for Greenville, South Carolina overseeing MRO operations in two states. He was the Chief of Flight Test and Director of Test Management, the senior military test pilot, and manager of all flight tests, approving tests, plans, and developing business for the Aviation Technical Test Center at both Fort Rucker and Redstone Army Airfield in Alabama. He managed over 100 fixed and rotary-wing flight test programs from 2002-2008.

Other assignments include operational positions as Air Traffic Service (ATS) Standardization Officer responsible for ensuring all Army ATS assets were certified and flight checked in Germany and deployed areas of the Balkans to include Hungary, Croatia, Bosnia, Montenegro, and Kosovo. He also served as Commander of V Corps COMZ ATS Company, the largest tactical ATS unit in the Army supporting operations in Europe and the Balkans and as Operations Officer for V Corps Medium Lift Company (Big Windy), as well as Section and Flight Platoon Leader of XVIIIth Airborne Corps Support Medium Lift Company in Savannah.

Colonel Jones' awards and badges includes the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, The Army Meritorious Service Medal (with two oak leaf clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with three oak leaf clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with oak leaf cluster) and Overseas Service Medal (4 awards). He is a Master Aviator qualified in the CH-47D/F, TH-6, UH-1H, C-12C/D, and UH-60A/L/M. Colonel Jones assumed command of the United States Army Redstone Test Center at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama on 11 August 2016.